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**MINUTES**

***Utah Water Quality Board Meeting***

Dixie Convention Center

Entrada B & C

St. George, Utah 84770

**April 2, 2008**

**UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jay Olsen	Steve Simpson
Leland Myers	Dave Echols
Joe Piccolo	Darrell Mensel
Daniel Snarr	Merritt Frey

**ABSENT:** Paula Doughty, Richard Sprott and Gregory Rowley

**DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Walt Baker, Faye Bell, Ed Macauley, Paul Krauth, John Whitehead, John Mackey, Judy Etherington, Leah Ann Lamb,

**OTHERS PRESENT**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization Representing</u>
Phil Wright	Local Health Departments
Jim Matsumori	GK Baum & Co.
David Stringham	Bear Lake Special Service Dist
Gerald Norris	Bear Lake Special Service Dist
Brian Boyles	Blanding City
Chris Webb	Blanding City
Doug Nielsen	Sunrise Engineering
Dustyn Shaffer	SEI
Sharon Siebold	WEAU
Paul Fulgham	Tremonton City
Neil Jones	Snyderville Basin WRD
Terral Dunn	Rural Water

Chair Piccolo called the Board meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. He welcomed those in attendance and invited the members of the audience to introduce themselves.

**Welcome to the Water Quality Board:** Mr. Baker introduced Sharon Siebold, President of WEAU Association, who welcomed the Board to the WEAU Conference and thanked the Board for its support of WEAU over the years.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MARCH 10, 2008 MEETING**

Mayor Snarr noted on Page 2, the name Jim Matsumori was repeated twice.

**Motion:**           **It was moved by Mr. Myers and seconded by Mr. Olsen to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2008 Board Meeting with the noted change. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**Introduction and approval to make Leah Ann Lamb Acting Exec. Secretary:** Mr. Baker introduced Leah Ann Lamb to the Board. Ms. Lamb is filling the Branch Manager vacancy left by Harry Judd.

The department director, Richard Sprott is recommending that Leah Ann Lamb be appointed as Acting Executive Secretary to the Water Quality Board, so that when Walt Baker is unavailable the Division of Water Quality is still able to transact the business of the Board.

**Motion:**           **It was moved by Mr. Simpson and seconded by Mr. Echols to approve Leah Ann Lamb as Acting Executive Secretary. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**Recognition of Service on the Wastewater Operator Certification Council:** Mayor Piccolo presented to Dr. Robert Okey a token of appreciation for the time he has served on the Wasterwater Operator Certification Council.

**Executive Secretary's Report:** Mr. Baker told the Board that implementing the waters permit is still pending with the Legislature. The nutrient pollution issue is still a hot topic and John Mackey is organizing a study that will determine the cost impact of instituting phosphorus and nitrogen standards at POTWs. In June the water quality standards and a Selenium standard for GSL will come before the board for the initiation of rule making.

**Certification Council 2007 Annual Report:** Paul Fulgham gave the 2007 Certification Council Annual Report. The report included information on the names of those on the council, the number of exams taken, and the training offered prior to the exams. Mr. Olsen asked if they could add another column which would reflect the numbers from years past of those taking the exam vs pass/fail. Mr. Myers suggested more training opportunities be made available to those taking the exams.

**Motion:**           **It was moved by Mr. Myers and seconded by Mr. Olsen to accept and approve the 2007 Report and to have the Certification Council return to the Board in six months to report on the requested information. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**LOAN PROGRAM**

**Financial Assistance Status Report** – Mr. Macauley updated the Board on the “Summary of Assistance Program Funds,” as outlined on page 2.1.

**Bear Lake SSD's request for a Planning Advance:** Mr. Mackey introduced Dave Stringham and Gerald Norris from Bear Lake Special Service District, and Dustin Shaffer with Sunrise Engineering. Bear Lake Special Service District requested a Hardship Planning Advance in the amount of \$55,000 to prepare a Capital Facilities Plan. The Board expressed concern on the number of second homes and why the user rate fees were so low. Mr. Olsen suggested the District come back with a good matching funds proposal when asking for a loan.

**Motion:**           **It was moved by Mr. Myers to approve staff's recommendation to authorize Bear Lake SSD's request for a Planning Advance of \$55,000. The motion was seconded by Mr. Olsen and was unanimously approved.**

**Springdale City's request for a Planning Advance:** Mr. Macauley introduced Rick Wixom with Springdale City and Dustin Shaffer with Sunrise Engineering. The Town of Springdale is requesting a Planning Advance in the amount of \$34,000 to prepare a wastewater and stormwater master plan which will allow the town to evaluate its existing systems and provide recommendations to meet future needs.

**Motion:**           **It was moved by Mr. Echols to approve staff's request to authorize the Town of Springdale Planning Advance in the amount of \$34,000. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mensel and was unanimously approved.**

**Blanding City's request for a Planning Advance:** Mr. Mackey introduced Chris Webb, City Manager, and Brian Bayles of Blanding City. The City of Blanding is requesting a Hardship Planning Grant in the amount of \$60,000 to prepare a Storm Water Master Plan. Mr. Echols questioned why a balance of \$12,500 was still owed to the state from Blanding's 1999 sewer planning advance. Mr. Webb said that amount was originally expected to be rolled into a loan from the Water Quality Board but other funding came available. Under the terms of the 1999 advance, the \$12,500 advance was not repayable until the city closed a loan with the Water Quality Board, and as the city has still not closed that loan, the money is still not due. Mr. Myers strongly encouraged Blanding City to pay the \$12,500 back to the Board out of its existing funds.

**Motion:**           **It was moved by Mr. Myers to approve the Planning Grant of \$60,000 to the City of Blanding. The city was also strongly encouraged to repay the outstanding planning advance of \$12,500. The motion was seconded by Mayor Snarr and was unanimously approved.**

**SRF IUP and SRF Project Priority List:** Mr. Macauley presented to the Board staff's request for approval to go to public comment for feedback regarding the 2009 Intended Use Plan (IUP) and Project Priority List (PPL).

**Motion:**           **It was moved by Mr. Olsen to approve staff's request to take the proposed SRF IUP and SRF Project Priority List to public comment. The motion was seconded by Mr. Myers and was unanimously approved.**

**NEXT MEETING:**

May 16, 2008 – DEQ Rm 101 at 168 N 1950 W, SLC, Utah

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Joe Piccolo, Chairman  
Utah Water Quality Board